(d) No such complaints have been received in this regard.-

(e) In view of (d) above, the question does not arise.

**Central assistance under PMGY**

1541. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of additional Central assistance provided to various States particularly Maharashtra for funding various health schemes under PMGY during the last three years;

(b) the details of utilization of the funds by various State Governments health scheme-wise;

(c) the guidelines for utilization of the PMGY funds for procurement of drugs and medical equipments; and

(d) the details of the increased contribution of the Central Government and the State Government of Maharashtra and utilization thereof in the State, scheme-wise?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) and (b) The details of allocation/releases and utilisation of funds by various State Governments including Maharashtra under PMGY during the last three years is at Annexure. However, the utilisation details for the year 2002-03 are in the process of being sent by most of the States.

(c) The guidelines for utilization of PMGY funds for procurement of drugs and medical equipment stipulate that 50% of the funds under Primary Health Sector should go to procurement of drugs other than those supplied under the National Programme/Externally Aided Projects (EAPs) and consumables including reagents/X-ray films etc. for diagnostic and therapeutic procedures and repair of essential equipment. Remaining 50% is utilised for strengthening, repair and maintenance of the infrastructure in the PHC/CHC.

(d) Due to sectoral priorities and overall financial constraints, the Centre could not effect the increase in its total health sector outlay envisaged in the National Health Policy, 2002 during the year

2003-04. The increase in outlay effected by Government of Maharashtra during 2003-04, if any, has not been finalised.

**Outbreak of Japanese Encephalitis**

1542. SHRI THENNALA G. BALAKRISHNA PILLAI:
SHRI N.R. DASARI: SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN:
DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the 'Japanese Encephalitis' is spreading all over the country, especially in the Southern States;

(b) the action taken to prevent spread of this disease;

(c) the number of deaths occurred due to this disease during the last three years, State-wise and year-wise;

(d) whether Government have conducted any studies in this regard; and

(e) if so, the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) Yes, Sir. A number of deaths have been reported from some districts of Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra and other parts of the country due to outbreak of Viral Encephalitis.

(b) While control of outbreaks is the responsibility of the respective State Governments, Government of India has provided technical support by sending expert teams to the affected States. Support has also been provided for laboratory confirmation for diagnosis of the outbreaks. In addition to the insecticides and larvicides already provided under the National Anti Malaria Programme, arrangements have been made for additional supply of Malathion (Technical) for fogging and larvicides for use in affected areas of Andhra Pradesh.